since the above date to complete the road before the end of the year 1109?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—Acquisition papers are being prepared. The acquisition is expected to be completed before the end of this year.

D. S. P's Pay and allowance of.

334. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state —

(a) the pay and the allowance, if any, given to the Field District Superintendents of Police;

(b) the grade of pay recommended and accepted by the Finance Committee;

(c) whether there was any proposal to enhance the pay of the Field District Superintendents of Police;

(d) if the answer is in the affirmative, when and by whom;

(e) the orders passed by the Government, if any, on such recommendation;

(f) the grade of pay of the District Superintendents in Travancore, Madras Presidency and Mysore?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—(a) Pay Rs. 150—10—200. Allowance nil.

(b) The proposal of the Finance Committee was that all the then Inspectors (two Division Inspectors, one Reserve Inspector and the one Prosecuting Inspector) should be of the same status and their pay should be personal and should not go by appointment. The grade of pay recommended accordingly was as follows :—

	Grade.
Two Inspectors on Rs.	125—5—150.
do	150—10—200.

The grade accepted by the Government for the two District Superintendents is Rs. 150—10—200 each.

(c) Yes.

(d) The question was raised by some of the non-official members of the Legislative Council in the Budget Session of 1106 and in some of the subsequent Sessions and by the Commissioner of Police in 1107.

(e) The question will be considered along with the question of delegating more powers to the D. S. Ps., which had to be temporarily dropped on account of the financial stringency.

(f) *Travancore*:—pay Rs. 300 to 450. *Madras*:—Rs. 800 and upwards. *Mysore*:—Rs. 250 to 450.

Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—How long this was in consideration?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—For over a year.

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Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—Has it been under consideration ever since it was raised in the Budget of 1106?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Quite possible.

Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—May I know what is the difficulty in coming to a decision?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—It had to be temporarily dropped because of financial stringency.

Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—May I know whether increase of salary was given in that department since this question was brought to the notice of the Government?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Notice.

Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—May I know whether the Commissioner needs relief in regard to the discharge of the work since he is very much overworked?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—That does not arise out of this question. Is that a supplementary question, Sir.

President.—I think it is not a supplementary question.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know what the powers to be delegated to these D. S. Ps.' are?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—I have not got the file here. I want notice.

Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—May I know whether proposals have been submitted to Government?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—It was submitted.

Mr. C. A Ouseph.—When?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Want notice.

T. A. of Field D. S. Ps.

335. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state in a tabular form—

(a) the amounts of T. A. drawn by the two Field District Superintendents of Police per mensem in 1108 and 1109;

(b) the amounts drawn permensem by the Division Inspectors of Police separately in 1104 and 1105?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—(a) and (b) A tabular statement containing information except for 1104 is attached. (*Appendix I*).

Import of Siamese rice.

336. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state—

(a) how many bags of Siamese rice have been imported into Cochin in 1933 and 1934;

(d) do they intend to take any steps to prevent future importation?

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